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UNBEKNOWNST TO THE POPULACE OR HEROES OF THE WORLD, VICTOR VON DOOM HAS FINALLY CONQUERED ALL OF REALITY. HE HAS TAKEN CONTROL OF THE WORLD AND CREATED POCKETS OF CONTROLLED CHAOS THAT ALL FALL UNDER HIS PURVIEW.

ALL THEY KNOW IS THE REALITY DOOM HAS CREATED FOR THEM.

BUT MANHATTAN IS IN A REAL PREDICAMENT. TWO DIFFERENT UNIVERSES ARE EXISTING IN THE SAME PLACE. HEROES FROM TWO DIFFERENT DIMENSIONS ARE RUNNING AROUND THE CITY AT THE SAME TIME. SOME THAT ARE VERY SIMILAR TO EACH OTHER AND OTHERS THAT ARE WILDLY DIFFERENT.

THE HEROES OF BOTH UNIVERSES ARE TRYING TO FIGURE OUT HOW TO UNDO THE DAMAGE AND COEXIST.

BUT DOOM'S ROYAL GUARD, THE THORS, HAVE ASSASSINATED HAWKEYE.

SPIDER-MAN'S IDENTITY IS KNOWN TO MOST OF THE PUBLIC.

AND THE HULKS HAVE CLASHED, ACCIDENTALLY CAUSING A HIGH-SECURITY PRISON RIOT THAT LED TO THE ESCAPE OF THE ASSASSIN OF CRIMINALS KNOWN AS THE PUNISHER.

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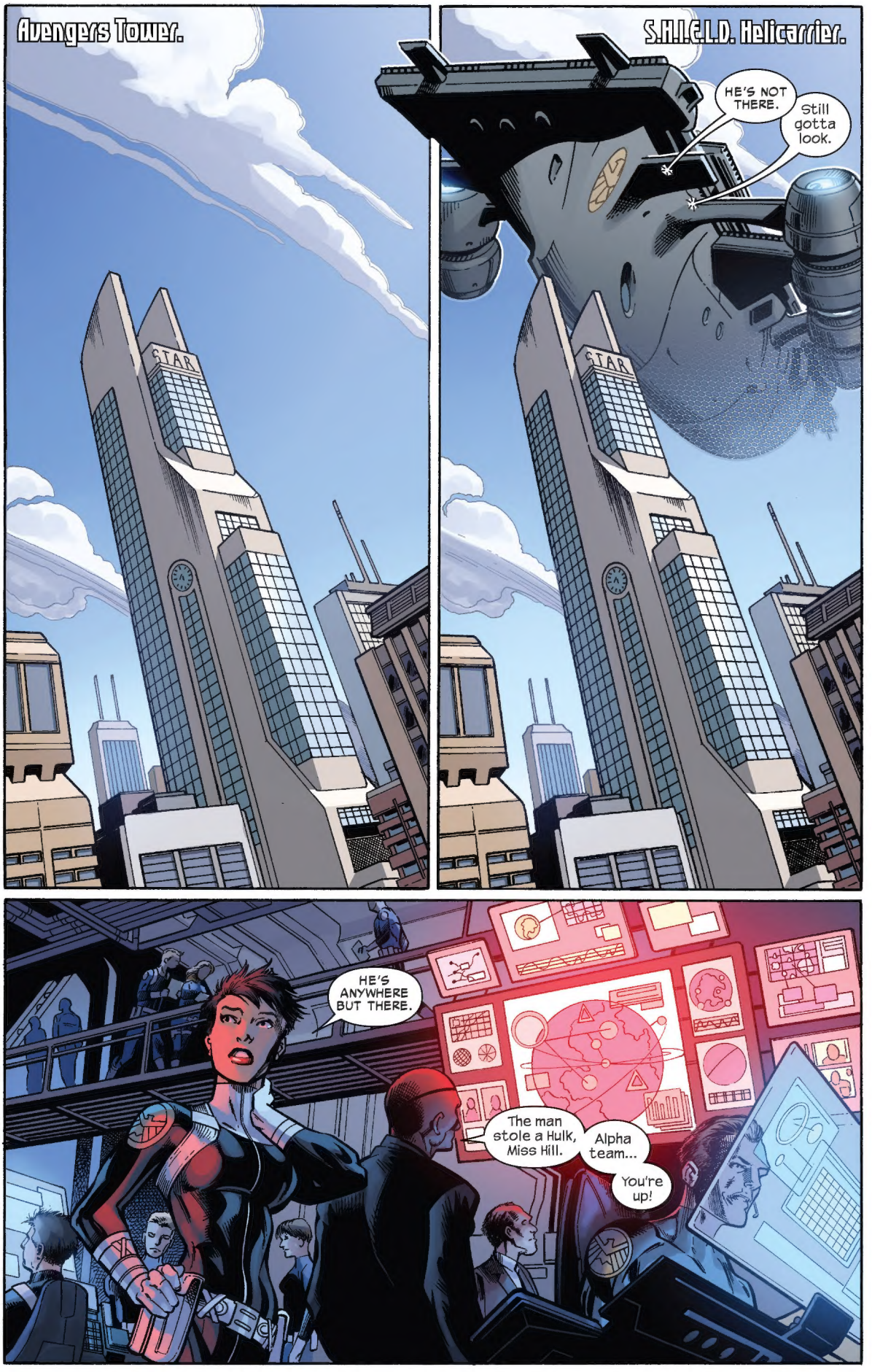

Avengers Tower.
S.H.I.E.L.D. Helicarrier.
HE'S NOT THERE.
Still gotta look.
HE'S ANYWHERE BUT THERE.
The man stole a Hulk, Miss Hill.
Alpha team...
You're up!

This'll be fun.
Really, Ben? I'm not looking forward to this at all.
I DO BELIEVE MR. GRIMM WAS BEING SARCASTIC.
Us versus two Tony Starks and a Hulk.
No.
This might actually be fun.
THERE IS NO WAY THEY ARE HERE.
Should we knock?
HE KNOWS WE'RE HERE.
Bust in the door.
IT'S PROBABLY BOOBY TRAPPED.
Why would it be booby trapped?
I WOULD BOOBY TRAP IT.
Trust issues much?
YES.
HOW ABOUT WE KNOCK?
Tony!
Either Tony!
We need to talk. We need to settle this down and quickly.
I KINDA FEEL LIKE WE'RE BETRAYING ONE OF OUR OWN, CAP..
Actually, it was he who betrayed us.
He took the law into his own hands.
He exacerbated an already volatile situation.
WELL, THEN I KIND OF FEEL LIKE WE'RE TRESPASSING.
WELL, YOU ARE TRESPASSING.
NOW MY SPIDER-SENSE GOES OFF...
WELL DAMN.
Well damn.

TA-DA...

Hulkbuster Squad, suit up!

FOR WHAT IT'S WORTH, I WAS VERY TORN ABOUT COMING HERE.

PLEASE DISENGAGE.

THUNK

THUNK

FSHAMM

TONY, CUT IT OUT!

YOU'RE MAKING THINGS WORSE FOR ALL OF US.

Wait a second...

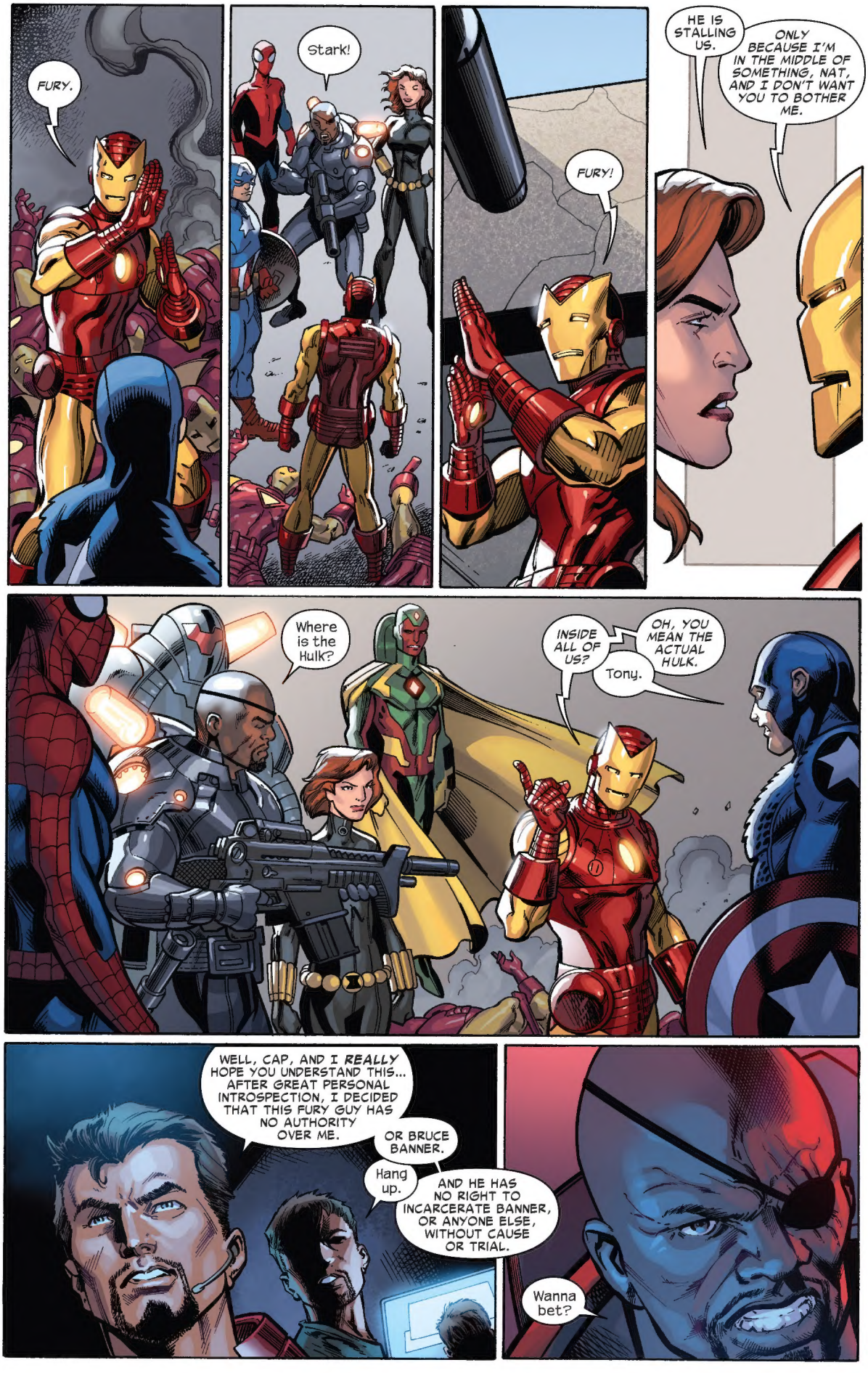
CAP FIGURED IT OUT FAST.

Told you.

I THOUGHT IT WOULD TAKE MORE THAN A MINUTE.

Bring it on home.

AAAAND SCENE.
UM, WHAT JUST HAPPENED?
We won?
I don't think so.
TONY(S)! WHAT ARE YOU DOING??
LISTEN, DID I EVER TELL YOU ABOUT THE TIME I TRIED TO MERGE MY CONSCIOUSNESS WITH AN ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE?
WHAT IS THIS?
SOMETIMES I WONDER IF I EVER RECOVERED FROM IT.
MAYBE THIS IS ALL A BIG COMA-INDUCED DREAMSCAPE.
MAYBE ALL OF YOU ARE MANIFESTATIONS OF MY OWN ID.
I'm sorry, what's happening?
This is all a show.
He's distracting us.
The attack was not full power.
I'd say it was about 20 percent. Just enough to tussle.
WELL, I'M NOT GOING TO FIGHT YOU, YOU'RE MY FRIENDS.
(KIND OF.)
Hang up, Tony.
AND THESE OTHER GUYS, WELL, I'LL FIGHT YOU IF YOU'RE STANDING IN MY WAY, BUT I WOULD RATHER NOT.
Stark.


FURY.
Stark!
FURY!
HE IS STALLING US.
ONLY BECAUSE I'M IN THE MIDDLE OF SOMETHING, NAT, AND I DON'T WANT YOU TO BOTHER ME.
Where is the Hulk?
INSIDE ALL OF US?
OH, YOU MEAN THE ACTUAL HULK.
Tony.
WELL, CAP, AND I REALLY HOPE YOU UNDERSTAND THIS... AFTER GREAT PERSONAL INTROSPECTION, I DECIDED THAT THIS FURY GUY HAS NO AUTHORITY OVER ME.
OR BRUCE BANNER.
Hang up.
AND HE HAS NO RIGHT TO INCARCERATE BANNER, OR ANYONE ELSE, WITHOUT CAUSE OR TRIAL.
Wanna bet?

Everybody run!
Go! Run!!!
BAP
Bombshell.
Brooklyn.
BAM
BOOM
@#$@#$!!!
BOOM
You all did this.
You made this madness.

BOOM
The Punisher?
The @#$@#$@ Punisher?!
BOOM
What the hell is The Punisher shooting at me for?
I'm a good guy!
Hello!
I'm a good guy!
You gun-toting nut-ball!!!!
CLICK

This is all your fault!!!
All of you!!!
BAM
@#$@#!
BOOM
This is all your...
I can't imagine what made you think this was a good idea...

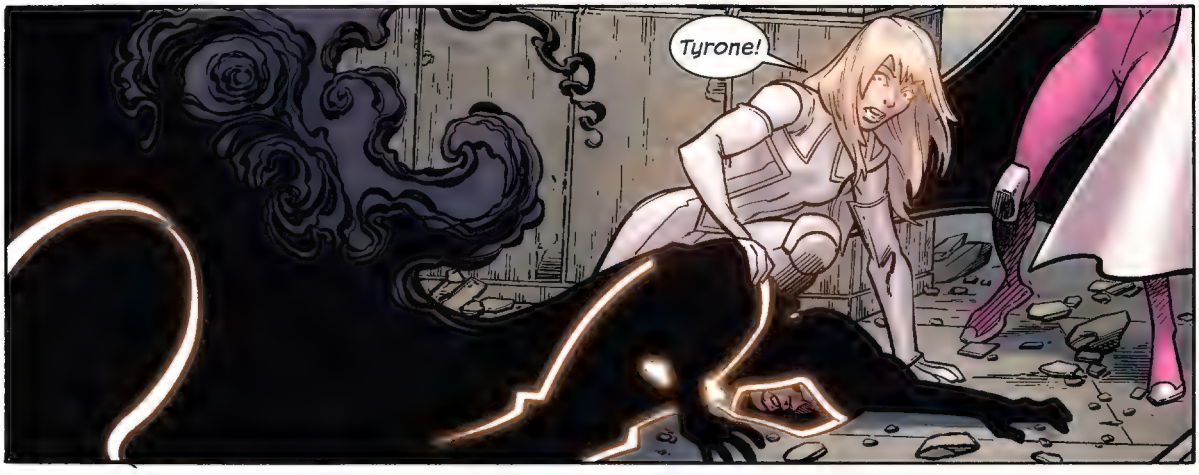
But you were way off.
Cloak.
Dagger.
Way off!
Hurt?
Good!
Rraaggh!
Oh my God, Lana?!
Dagger!
I-I think he shot me in the head!
No! No, it's just your ear!
Are you sure?
Well, you're still alive and talking.
This is all your fault!
ALL OF YOU!!!
Do shut up!

The Punisher?!
How did you find yourself fighting The Punisher?
Happened about two seconds after he tried to assassinate me.
I thought he was dead.
Why was he trying to assassinate you?
What was he on about?
I don't know.
Because he's crazy town?
Um, something's not right...

BUDDABUDDABUDDA
Whoa!
Well, that has never happened before.

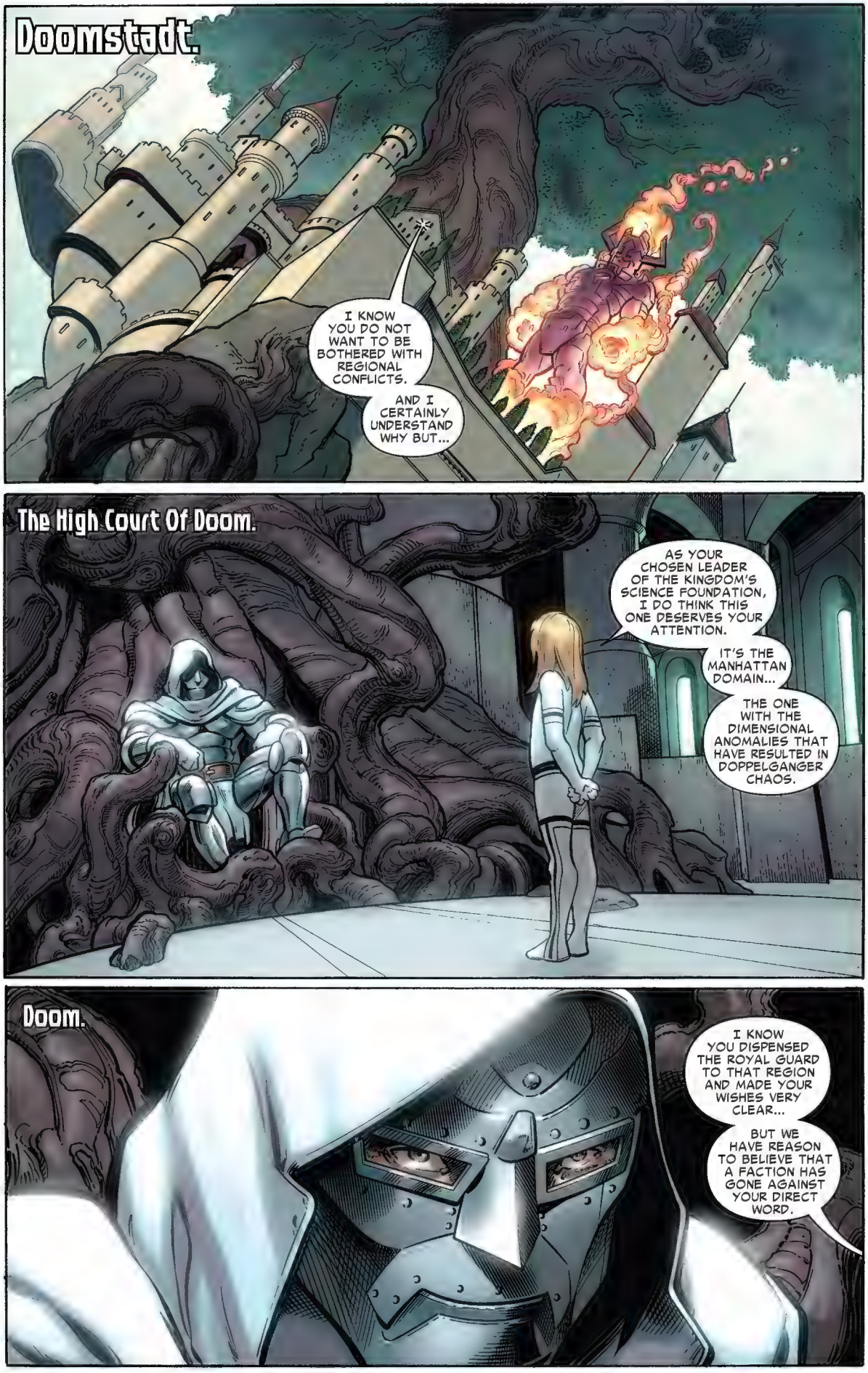
Really!
@#$@#!

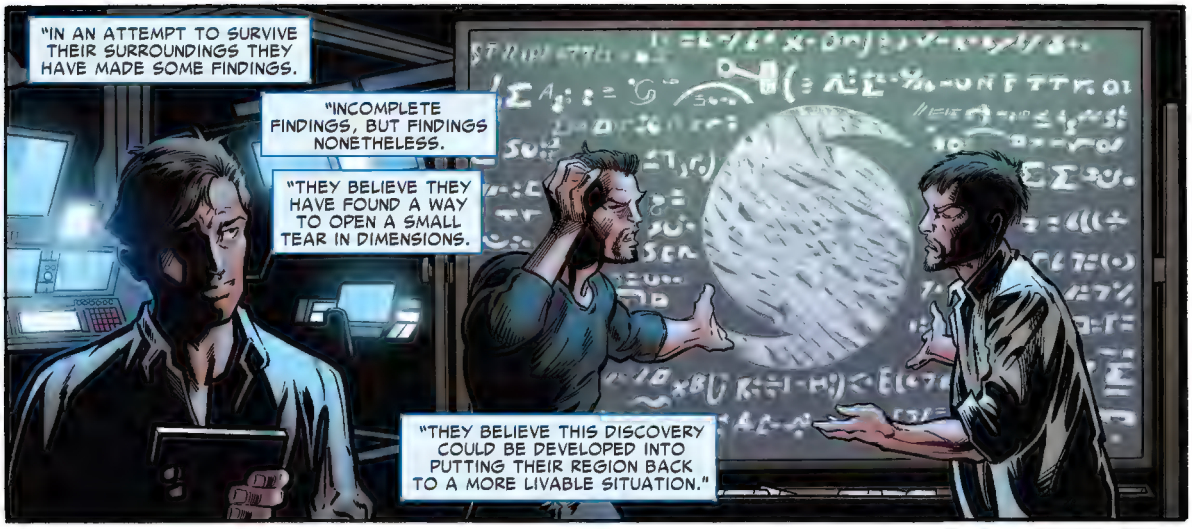
Aaghh!


Tyrone!

Aghh!
BUDDABUDDABUDDABUDDABUDDABUDDABUDDABUDDA
@#$@#!
BOOM
Are you all right?
Uh, no.
Oh no, he's gone?!
He's gone.
And he's really good, btw.
We just got our asses entirely kicked.
He couldn't have gotten far.
No one has ever fought their way out of my cloak before.
Are you okay?
Ask me after we catch this guy.
Yeah, I want to shove one of my bombshells right up his--
...swear word...

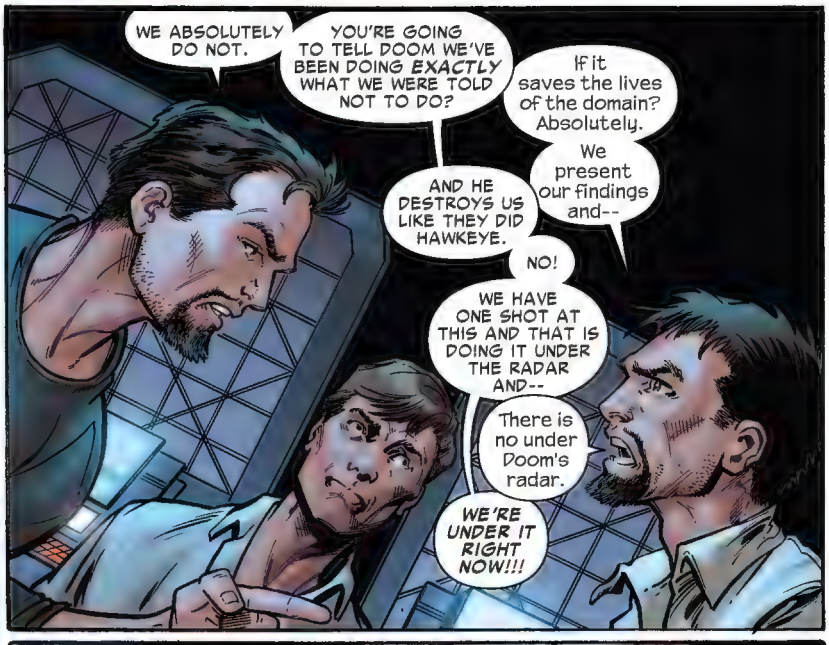
Hi. I'm Iron Man.
I need your help.
You up for it?
Uh, we'd love to, but there's a gun-toting psycho running around--
The Punisher.
I've informed the FBI. They are on their way to meet with local police and get him off the streets.
But what I need you for is more important than that.
What's more important than a murderer on the loose?
I was going to say: Follow me.
But with your cloak you'll get there before me.
"MY LORD..."


Doomstadt.
I KNOW YOU DO NOT WANT TO BE BOTHERED WITH REGIONAL CONFLICTS.
AND I CERTAINLY UNDERSTAND WHY BUT...
The High Court Of Doom.
AS YOUR CHOSEN LEADER OF THE KINGDOM'S SCIENCE FOUNDATION, I DO THINK THIS ONE DESERVES YOUR ATTENTION.
IT'S THE MANHATTAN DOMAIN...
THE ONE WITH THE DIMENSIONAL ANOMALIES THAT HAVE RESULTED IN DOPPELGANGER CHAOS.
Doom.
I KNOW YOU DISPENSED THE ROYAL GUARD TO THAT REGION AND MADE YOUR WISHES VERY CLEAR...
BUT WE HAVE REASON TO BELIEVE THAT A FACTION HAS GONE AGAINST YOUR DIRECT WORD.


"IN AN ATTEMPT TO SURVIVE THEIR SURROUNDINGS THEY HAVE MADE SOME FINDINGS.
"INCOMPLETE FINDINGS, BUT FINDINGS NONETHELESS.
"THEY BELIEVE THEY HAVE FOUND A WAY TO OPEN A SMALL TEAR IN DIMENSIONS.
"THEY BELIEVE THIS DISCOVERY COULD BE DEVELOPED INTO PUTTING THEIR REGION BACK TO A MORE LIVABLE SITUATION."

WHAT WE HAVE GATHERED FROM OUR INTELLIGENCE IS THAT ALTHOUGH EVERYONE IN THAT REGION IS FRUSTRATED AND TEMPERS ARE FLARING AND CHAOS IS BUBBLING OVER...
NOT ALL OF THE PLAYERS THINK THAT GOING AGAINST YOUR WORD IS THE RIGHT COURSE.

"BUT THEY ALL WANT TO SURVIVE."
WAIT, SAY THAT AGAIN.
We present our findings to Doom's Science Foundation.
WHY???
Because it's the smart move. The safe move.


WE ABSOLUTELY DO NOT.
YOU'RE GOING TO TELL DOOM WE'VE BEEN DOING *EXACTLY* WHAT WE WERE TOLD NOT TO DO?
If it saves the lives of the domain? Absolutely.
We present our findings and--
AND HE DESTROYS US LIKE THEY DID HAWKEYE.
NO!
WE HAVE ONE SHOT AT THIS AND THAT IS DOING IT UNDER THE RADAR AND--
There is no under Doom's radar.
WE'RE UNDER IT RIGHT NOW!!!

YOU GUYS REALLY SHOULD HAVE FIGURED THIS OUT BEFORE WE STARTED.

YOU'RE GOING TO KILL US ALL.
You're not God.
And this is me talking.
NOW, I KNOW THE FOUNDATION HAS EXPRESSED A GREAT DEAL OF CONCERN ABOUT THIS REGION.
IF THEY HAVE DISCOVERED A DIMENSIONAL RIFT, THE FOUNDATION SHOULD TAKE IT OVER.
IF THEY ARE ATTEMPTING TO GO AGAINST YOUR WISHES, THAT SHOULD BE ACTED UPON AS WELL.
I should have done this a long time ago.

HE'S GOING TO KILL US ALL.

"LORD DOOM, THE DAMAGE TO THAT DOMAIN COULD BE SEVERE AND YOUR CONTROL OVER IT COULD BE COMPROMISED.

"IT IS STILL THE FOUNDATION'S OPINION THAT THIS DOMAIN IS A DANGER TO ITSELF AND TO THE ENTIRE KINGDOM."

"PLEASE, UNDERSTAND I AM NOT QUESTIONING YOUR AUTHORITY.

"BUT I AM SOMEONE YOU TRUST TO EXPERIMENT AND DISCOVER..."

I thought we were on the same page...

WOULD YOU PLEASE HONOR ME--

PLEASE EXPLAIN TO ME THE LOGIC--

WHY HAVE YOU CREATED SOMETHING THAT IS UNLIVABLE AND CHALLENGING TO THOSE INSIDE OF IT?

I will always live with the fact that I was not strong enough to act on this until now...

DO YOU WANT THE THORS TO PUT A STOP TO IT?

NO.

This was always the end.

BUT, RESPECTFULLY, JUST SO I UNDERSTAND...
WHAT IF IT GETS OUT OF HAND?
THEN MY WILL BE DONE.
Always.
BAM
BUT WHAT IF THERE IS SOMETHING IN ALL THE CHAOS--
SOMETHING WE DON'T SEE COMING...

"...SOMETHING THAT CHANGES EVERYTHING?"
WU
TIME
Coca-Cola
S ARMY NAVY MARINES
To Be Concluded...